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## **Parks and Recreation Minutes 05/10/2005**

Park & Recreation Commission Meeting

5-10-2005

7:00 p.m. Senior Center

APPROVED

1. April Meeting Minutes were approved with changes. MOTION MADE BY: LESLIE MAYER, SECONDED BY DON VITTERS. APPROVED 5-0.

2. Teresa DeBenedictis distributed the field maintenance and user fee committee report to the commissioners. Mrs. DeBenedictis informed the commission of the changes in the field cancellation line and website during the week and weekends. Special notes include weekends calls will be made by Teresa and emailed to league presidents, website updated and cancellation line updated. There were some issues that arose early on but the new system seems to work well. Teresa will keep the commission updated as the season progresses.

3. Mr. Hart presented his appeal to the permit decision made by the PRC at their last meeting in April. The commission also heard input from Jim Robillard, President of Babe Ruth. It was concluded that Joe Hart will work with Babe Ruth since they possessed the permits.

4. Special Event Votes

- a. Anne-Louise Klaus, St. Paul ELCA (Lutheran Church)
- a. Sunday, June 12, 2005, 12-2pm (rain date 6/26/05) – Robbins Farm Park
- i. Potluck Picnic, flat area behind benches top of hill

MOTION TO APPROVE LESLIE MAYER, SECONDED NANCY CAMPBELL. APPROVED 5-0.

- b. Jim Gammil, Alewife Deanery
- a. Saturday, June 18, 2005, 9am-12noon – Minuteman Bikeway
- i. Minuteman Bikeway Walk

NO MOTION NEEDED SINCE IT IS UNDER THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S JURISDICTION.

- c. Oakes Plimpton, Friends of Robbins Farm Park
- a. Saturday, May 14, 2005, 1-4 pm (Rain date-5/15) – Robbins Farm Park
- i. Kite Festival

MOTION MADE TO ACCEPT LESLIE MAYER, SECONDED DON VITTERS. APPROVED 5-0. MUST NOT CONFLICT WITH FILMING AT ROBBINS FARM.

5. Capital Project Updates

- a. Leslie Mayer updated the commission on the Dam Project.
- b. Jon Jalbert and Don Vitters updated the commission on Spy Pond Shores, Crosby tennis Courts.
- c. Waldo & Locke Contract not signed yet.
- d. Mr. Vitters updated the commission on the Design study for Menotomy Rocks Park and Bishop school. Leslie Mayer agreed to be the contact for Menotomy Rocks Park and Tom Caccavarro agreed to be the contact for Bishop Field.

e. Mr. Jalbert asked for the commission's support on meeting with Emanuol Brothers re: Robbins Farm park and completing the project. The Commission supported a meeting and to include Tom Caccavarro and Don Vitters.

6. Committee updates

- a. Field Policy – no update at this time
- b. Field Maintenance and User Fee- discussion centered around their proposal distributed tonight and at Town Meeting
- c. Sports Center Improvement Committee- A meeting was held and went well. Discussion centered around raising funds for future improvements and requirements for the rink lease.
- d. Open Space Committee-Leslie Mayer presented the committees concern about a parking lot at Hills Hill Park.

7. Recreation and Rink Update

- a. Enrollment numbers are up at this time
- b. Mr. Jalbert will send the rink report to the commission prior to June meeting

8. Others – None

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.